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Westminster December 21.

HIS Majesty came this Day to the House of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes, seated on the Throne with the usual Solemnity, Sir Charles Dalton, Gentleman Usher of the Black Rod, was sent with a Message from his Majesty to the House of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the House of Peers; the Commons being come thither accordingly, his Majesty was pleased to make the following most gracious Speech:

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Am very glad of the Occasion, which my Coming hither, at this Time, gives me, of expressing to you the great Satisfaction I take, in seeing so good a Progress already made in the Business of this Session.

Gentlemen of the House of Commons,

The Readiness, and Dispatch, with which you have thus early provided so considerable a Part of the Supplies, for the ensuing Year, deserve my particular Thanks: And I make no Doubt, but the same Zeal for the Common Cause, will induce you to enable me to concert proper Measures, and to enter into, or make good, such Alliances, and Engagements with other Powers, as may be necessary for the Support of the Queen of Hungary, and restoring the Balance of Power.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I look upon this good Beginning, as a sure Pledge of your Steadiness, in pursuing the true Interest of Great Britain, which is, and ever shall be, my only View.

Moscow, Nov. 18. Some Days ago a Calmuck Princess, Sister of the famous Don Ducambo, Chan of the Calmucks that inhabit to the Eastward of the Wolga, arrived here to congratulate her Czarish Majesty upon her Accession to the Throne, in the Name of that Nation, which is under the Russian Protection. The Day before Yesterday this Princess had an Audience of the Czarina, and after having made her Compliments, she presented her Imperial Majesty with a Dozen of fine China Cups, six Pieces of Persian Silks, two Chinese Ingots, and several Pieces of Gold of the Indian and Persian Coins. As we have hitherto had but little Frost and Snow, and the Roads are almost impassable, the Czarina has put off her Return to Petersburg, and will celebrate here the Anniversary of her Accession to the Throne the 25th of this Month, which some Time ago her Majesty declared her Intention to have done at Petersbourg. How long the Court will reside here afterwards is uncertain, it depending chiefly upon the setting in of the Frost for the Convenience of travelling in Sledges.

Naples, Nov. 27. On the 18th the Bey of Derna, Son in Law to that of Tripoli, attended by thirty Persons of his Suite, arrived here from Messina, to compliment the King on the Part of that Regency: He was received by Marquess Acquaviva, the Receiver of foreign Ministers, and conducted to the Palace fitted up by the Court for his Entertainment: He has brought as a Present to the King fifteen Arabian Horses, two white Dromedaries, a Lyon and two Tygers. All the Fortresses of this Kingdom have been provided with Ammunition, Military Stores, and the Magazines provided for a twelve Month. As these Dispositions occasion great Scarcity of Provisions in the Country, the Dissatisfaction therefore encreases amongst the People, as well as upon account of the extraordinary Taxes with which they are over-burthened. They are continuing to raise Recruits all over the Kingdom, to be distributed in the different Provinces, to compleat the King's Regiments that were in Lombardy.

Rome, Dec. 1. The 24th being the Queen of Naples's Birth-day, the same was celebrated

ted here with the usual Solemnity: Cardinal Acquaviva was complimented on that Occasion by the Subjects and Feudatories of the two Sicilies, and in the Evening he gave a Concert of Musick, at which many of the Nobility were present. The same Day Cardinal Corsini, in grand Formality, performed the Function of standing Godfather, for the King of Portugal, to the Daughter of the Duke Corsini, at which sixteen Cardinals, the Foreign Ministers, one Hundred Prelates, and many of the Nobility assisted. The Chevalier Sampario, the Portuguese Minister, distributed on this Occasion about Two Hundred Pounds Sterling.

Vienna, Dec. 15, *N. S.* Every Thing seems to be preparing for Winter Quarters in Bavaria on the Part of the French, as appears by their continuing to form the greatest Magazine they can get together at Straubing. The Austrian Troops there will soon be canton'd. Their chief Force will lye about Braunau, and from thence they will extend themselves, as is thought, on the Left into the Bishoprick of Saltzburg, and on the Right through Scharding, and Passau, across the Danube to the Confines of Bohemia, with detached Posts to maintain Deckendorf, Vilshoven, and Plainting, so that the far greater Part of them may winter upon the Enemy's Territory.

Copenhagen, Dec. 15, *N. S.* The first Order only for our present Warlike Preparations has been issued out as yet; in Consequence whereof the Troops are getting ready, but with no great Appearance of Haste. The Margrave, they say now, is not expected here before next Month. However, the Stir made on this Side seems to have put the Swedes upon the like Defensive Precautions. They talk of marching Troops into Scanie; and, some say, have actually begun to cast up small Redoubts at the most proper Landing Places along the Coast.

Copenhagen, Dec. 18, *N. S.* The Cuirassiers of Neubourg, Juel and Stevens, which lye in Jutland and Fuhnen, have lately received Orders to be ready to march this Way; three Regiments being to be added to the Army of Zealand, which is to consist of seven Regiments of Foot, and as many of Horse, amounting in all to about 12000 Men. They have also now begun to work upon the Fleet, and are putting 16 Men of War and 10 Frigats into a Condition of being speedily fitted out upon Occasion.

Hague, Dec. 25, *N. S.* The last Letters from the Inn brought an Account of the respective Armies being gone into Winter Quarters.

Whitehall, December 18.

This Day arrived here a Messenger from the Right Honourable the Earl of Hyndford, his Majesty's Minister Plenipotentiary at the Court of Berlin, with the King of Prussia's Ratification of the Treaty of Defensive Alliance, concluded at Westminster the 18th Day of November last past, between his Majesty and that Prince.

Carlton House, Dec. 19.

This Day Count Flemming, Envoy Extraordinary from the King of Poland, had his first private Audience of his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales; to which he was introduced by Sir Clement Cottrell Dormer, Kt. Master of the Ceremonies.

St. James's, December 20.

This Day Count Flemming had his first private Audience of his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland; to which he was introduced by the Master of the Ceremonies.

General Post Office, London, July 3, 1742.

Whereas divers Persons, thro' Ignorance or Carlessness, frequently put Letters into the General Post Offices, and the Receiving Houses both in Town and Country, directed on board of Ships, and to Foreign Parts, without paying at the same Time the Postage, as ought to be done; And whereas Letters and Packets are often put into the said Offices with Money and Rings inclosed, and in Fraud of his Majesty's Revenue, divers Persons presume to send Letters with false and counterfeit Franks. This is to acquaint the Publick, that no Letters under any of the Circumstances aforesaid have any Right by Law to be forwarded.

Note, That Letters going out of Great Britain (except to France, Holland, and Flanders) have by the ancient Usage of this Office paid the Foreign Postage, and are required by the Act of Parliament so to do, at the Office in Great Britain where the same are first put in.

Note also, That if such Letters to Foreign Parts are put into any of the Country Offices, the Inland Postage of such Letters to London must also be paid on putting the same into such Office.

By Command of the Post Master General,
George Shelvocke, *Secretary.*

Genetal Post-Office, London, Sept. 29, 1742.

POST CHAISES between London and Bath.

This is to acquaint the Publick, that the several Post-masters on the Road between London and Bath, are ready to furnish any Gentlemen, or others, with Post Chaises, safe, easy, and well secured from the Weather, with a Lamp to give sufficient Light in dark Nights, upon as short Warning as for Post Horses, any Hour either in the Day or Night. And farther Notice is hereby given, that whereas the Distance between Marlborough and Bath, has never yet been considered as Post Road, it will be computed at Thirty four Miles, according to Tompion's Measurement between those two Places. Gentlemen who have Occasion to go Post on the Bath Roads, are desired to apply to Mr. Miller, Post-master, at the White Bear in Piccadilly.

N. B. A Post Chaise may be had at any of the Stages on the Bath Road, to go Part or all the Way, for one or more Stages, for those who do not chuse to travel in the Night. By Command of the Post-Master-General,
Geo. Shelvocke, *Secretary.*

Advertiſements.

THE Aſſignees in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded against Wynn Blackman, late of the City of Chicheſter, in the County of Suſſex, Braſier, Coal Merchant, and Chapman, will proceed to the ſelling All the ſaid Bankrupt's abſolute Eſtate and Intereſt in the following Freehold and Copyhold Eſtates, to wit, Certain Freehold Lands and Coppice Ground, in the Pariſh of Boſham, in the County aforeſaid; And a Copyhold Meſſuage and Lands in the ſame Pariſh, called Forrep Land (being Eſtate of Inheritance) now Lett together with the ſaid Freehold Premiſſes at 15 l. a Year. A Freehold Tenement or Dwelling Houſe, being the Eaſt End of a Meſſuage ſituate on the North Side of the Eaſt-ſtreet of Chicheſter aforeſaid, late in the ſaid Bankrupt's own Occupation, worth to be Lett at about 16 l. a Year.--- One other Freehold Tenement or Dwelling Houſe, being the Weſt End of the laſt mentioned Meſſuage, now lett at 13 l. a Year. One Moiety or half Part of a Copyhold Tenement and Lands in Eaſtdean, within the Manor of Eaſtdean, in the County aforeſaid, which the ſaid Bankrupt holdeth to him and his Heirs for three Lives (all in being) now Lett at 6 l. a Year. And alſo all the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate and Intereſt for Life of and in a Freehold Meſſuage, Farm, and about 80 Acres of Land, called Willow Hall Farm, in Aldwick, in the Pariſh of Pagham, in the County aforeſaid, now Lett at 50 l. a Year. And of and in a Copyhold Meſſuage with its Appurtenances, in Havant, within Havant Rectory Manor, in the County of Southampton, now Lett at 6 l. 10s. a Year; upon the ſecond Day of February next, at Two of the Clock in the Afternoon, to the beſt Bidder, at the Houſe of Yarrell Johnſon, known by the Sign of the Swan in Chicheſter aforeſaid; where the Particulars of the ſaid ſeveral Eſtates may be ſeen.

THE Aſſignees under a renewed Commiſſion of Bankruptcy againſt Francis Collins, late of London, Merchant, a Bankrupt, deceaſed, deſire the Creditors of the ſaid Bankrupt who have proved their Debts under the ſaid Commiſſion, or under the Commiſſion formerly iſſued againſt him, to meet the ſaid Aſſignees on Friday the 31ſt of December Inſtant, at Ten of the Clock in the Forenoon, at the Sword Blade Coffee Houſe in Birchin Lane, London, to conſider of certain Affairs relating to the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate then to be laid before them; and to impower them the ſaid Aſſignees to agree or compound the ſame if they ſhall think fit.

PUrſuant to Notice given in the London Gazette of November the 23d laſt, for the Commiſſioners to meet on the Commiſſion awarded and iſſued forth againſt John White, of the Pariſh of St. Martin in the Fields, in the County of Middleſex, Silverſmith, on the 17th Day of December Inſtant, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Effects; This is to give Notice, that the ſaid Dividend is adjourned to the 15th of January next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at Guildhall aforeſaid; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

December 5, 1742.

ALL Perſons who have any Demand on the Eſtate of Mr. Henry Selleck, late of Walford, in the County of Somerſet, deceaſed, are to give Notice of ſuch their Demand, within Thirty Days from the Date hereof, to Mr. Clement Waldron, of Sandy Lane near Wellington, in the ſaid County of Somerſet, Attorney at Law, in order that the ſame may be diſcharged out of the Fund provided for that Purpoſe, or otherwiſe they will be excluded the Benefit thereof. And all Perſons that were indebted to the ſaid Henry Selleck at the Time of his Death, are forthwith to pay ſuch Debts to the ſaid Mr. Waldron, or they will be ſued for the ſame.

TO be peremptorily ſold, together or in Parcels, before Edmund Sawyer, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the High Court of Chancery, at his Chambers in Lincoln's Inn, London, purſuant to a Decree of the ſame Court, on Friday the 11th Day of February next, between the Hours of Four and Six of the Clock in the Afternoon, The Manors of Whittleſey St. Mary, and Whittleſey St. Andrew, and the Manor of the Rectory of Whittleſey St. Mary, called Coquenary, in the Iſle of Ely and County of Cambridge, with the impropriate Tythes belonging to the ſaid ſeveral Manors: And divers Meſſuages, Lands, Rents and Hereditaments in thoſe Manors, of about the yearly Value of 1000 l. late the Eſtate of George Dawnes, Gent. deceaſed. Particulars whereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Chambers.

TO be peremptorily ſold, before Henry Montague, Eſq; one of the Maſters of the High Court of Chancery, purſuant to a Decree and ſubſequent Order of the ſaid Court, at the ſaid Maſters Chambers in Lincoln's Inn, on Thurſday the 10th Day of February next, between the Hours of Ten and Twelve of the Clock in the Forenoon, An undivided Moiety of a ſmall Farm, conſiſting of a Farm Houſe and Lands called Little Witcombe, in the Pariſhes of Carisbrooke and Gatcombe, near Carisbrooke Caſtle, within the Iſle of Wight, in the County of Southampton, of the yearly Value of 15 l. late the Eſtate of Charles Goldſmith, Clerk, deceaſed. Particulars whereof may be had at the ſaid Maſter's Chambers.

WHereas a Commiſſion of Bankrupt is awarded and iſſued forth againſt Claude du Boſc, and William Darres, of the Pariſh of St. James, within the Liberty of Weſtminſter, Bookſellers and Partners, and they being declared Bankrupts, are hereby required to ſurrender themſelves to the Commiſſioners in the ſaid Commiſſion named, or the major Part of them, on the 24th and 31ſt of this Inſtant December, and on the 1ſt of February next, at Three in the Afternoon on each of the ſaid Days, at Guildhall, London, and make a full Diſcovery and Diſcloſure of their Eſtate and Effects; when and where the Creditors are to come prepared to prove their Debts, and at the ſecond Sitting to chuſe Aſſignees, and at the laſt Sitting the ſaid Bankrupts are required to finiſh their Examination, and the Creditors are to aſſent to or diſſent from the Allowance of their Certificate. All Perſons indebted to the ſaid Bankrupts, or that have any of their Effects, are not to pay or deliver the ſame but to whom the Commiſſioners ſhall appoint.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued forth againſt Thomas Tucker, late of Bath, in the County of Somerſet, Sadler, intend to meet on the 15th of January next, at Three in the Afternoon, at the Houſe of Anne Barry, Widow, called Foſter's Coffee-houſe in Corn-ſtreet, Briſtol, in order to make a final Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued forth againſt William Bate, late of Mancheſter in the County of Lancaſter, Grocer, intend to meet on the 14th of January next, at Two of the Clock in the Afternoon, at St. Anne's Coffee-houſe in Mancheſter aforeſaid, in order to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued forth againſt Richard Webb, of Frome Selwood, in the County of Somerſet, Clothier, intend to meet on the 25th of January next, at Three of the Clock in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

THE Commiſſioners in a Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded and iſſued forth againſt William Dicker, of the Pariſh of St. Olave, Southwark, in the County of Surry, Oilman, intend to meet on the 19th Day of January next, at Five in the Afternoon, at Guildhall, London, in order to make a Dividend of the ſaid Bankrupt's Eſtate; when and where the Creditors who have not already proved their Debts, are to come prepared to do the ſame, or they will be excluded the Benefit of the ſaid Dividend.

WHereas the acting Commiſſioners in the Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt Benjamin Field and George Garth, of the Pariſh of Saint Leonard Shoreditch, in the County of Middleſex, Brewers and Copartners, have certified to the Right Honourable Philip Lord Hardwicke, Baron of Hardwicke, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the ſaid Benjamin Field and George Garth have in all Things conformed themſelves according to the Directions of the ſeveral Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts: This is to give Notice, that by Virtue of an Act paſſed in the fifth Year of his preſent Majeſty's Reign, their Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the ſaid Act directs, unleſs Cauſe be ſhewn to the contrary on or before the 11th of January next.

WHereas the acting Commiſſioners in the Commiſſion of Bankrupt awarded againſt William Parran, late of the Pariſh of St. James, in the Liberty of Weſtminſter, in the County of Middleſex, Innholder, have certified to the Right Honourable Philip Lord Hardwicke, Baron of Hardwicke, Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain, that the ſaid William Parran hath in all Things conformed himſelf according to the Directions of the ſeveral Acts of Parliament made concerning Bankrupts; This is to give Notice, that by virtue of an Act paſſed in the Fifth Year of his preſent Majeſty's Reign, his Certificate will be allowed and confirmed as the ſaid Act directs, unleſs Cauſe be ſhewn to the contrary on or before the 11th of January next.

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